

Grand Rapids Planning Commission

Minutes October 8, 2007

Present: Chairman Raymond Weber; members Thomas Arnold, Rodney Dorski, Lori Edwards and Eugene Zager; Town Supervisor Jeanne Fehrman.

Zager moved, Dorski second, unanimously dispensed with reading and approved August 27, 2007 minutes.

1. **Phil Casper** 2731 Golf Course Rd., applied for a Conditional Use Permit for an addition on his existing attached garage to be used as workshop. Currently over limit due to fact divided up Agricultural parcel to leave 1.6567 acres with residence.

Arnold moved, Zager second to not allow addition to attached garage do to the fact that he is exceeding the Residential Zoning requirements currently. It is suggested he combine the existing lots and rezone to Agricultural.

2. **John Becker** 3011 Plover Rd., submitted a Conditional Use Permit for a sign at 6311 Plover Rd. owned by Roland Wirtz . The application is not specific enough. More information needed. Discussion as to size regulation and restrictions on current and past signs. Becker was directed to bring in variance that was previously granted for the larger size signs. Fuehrer directed to check into variance issue also.

Conditional Use Permit tabled until all pertinent information is obtained and presented.

3. **Craig O'Connor** 5931 Wazeecha Ave., has applied for a Land Use Permit to put up a 12' X 24'quanset style vinyl structure. The structure has a metal frame. The structure is to be used for storage. Note that Fuehrer is related so will refrain from discussion. Mike Speich stated that the town reaped no tax benefit for a temporary structure. O'Connor stated that a vinyl shed would help clean up the outside of the property creating a more pleasing appearance.

Zager motion, Dorski second to grant approval of the structure to be used for outside storage with the conditions that it be used for storage and if the residence were to be sold the structure is to be removed and also that repairs to the structure be made on a timely basis.

4. **Russ Broga** 2840 Deer Rd., request a Conditional Use Permit to build a storage building (maximum 36' X 56') at 4340 80th Street S. Lot zoned Commercial but the building request is closer than currently permitted.

Zager motion, Arnold second to recommend to the Town Board to approve the Conditional Use Permit to build a approximately 36' X 56' storage building 12' from rear lot line and 12' from side lot line (abutting on Railroad St.) with the sidewall of the building having a 1 hour firewall.

5. **Zoning Administrator:**

New Learning Child Care Center is in the process of checking into the feasibility of operating a not for profit teen parenting center for 8 or fewer infants in the old Children's Choice School now known as the Rivers Cities School. The daycare would be for the current students and would not be leased but operated by the School System.

Fuehrer also noted the action of The Village of Biron to try to acquire the property on Hwy 54 owned by Jack Moll. Fuehrer has a tentative agreement of the Village and the Developer to attend a Town of Grand Rapids Board meeting on October 23rd 2007.

6. Public Input: May want to look into the possibility of changing the Commercial Zoning requirements to reference side lot lines. Also may want to discuss a future Ordinance to control well populations in the town.

Tentative meeting date---October 22, 2007

Arnold moved, Edwards second, adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Minutes by Planning Commission Secretary

Lorelei Fuehrer